PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY, SAN MARINO, TURKEY, MEDJUGORJE AND GREECE

- Featuring 6-night Eastern Mediterranean Cruise

UNDER SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE OF FR. VARGEES DEVAS, PASTOR OF ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH, THUNDER BAY, ON Sep 29 - Oct 12, 2024 14 days CA\$6,090 (taxes & tips included) for Thunder Bay departure

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Please book by the registration deadline of Jun 3, 2024!

Day 1 Sep 29 Depart Thunder Bay via Toronto for Rome.

Day 2 Sep 30 Upon arrival in **Rome**, we enjoy panoramic tour of the city including Forum Romanum and Colosseum (photo stop only from outside, no entrance). Dinner and overnight in Rome.

Day 3 Oct 01 In the morning, we visit St. Mary Major and St. John Lateran. Crossing the street we come to the Holy Staircase which is believed to be brought to Rome by St. Helen in the 4th Century (photo stop only). Also, we have a guided tour of Vatican Museum, continue with a visit to St Peter' Basilica. Dinner & overnight in Rome.



Day 5 Oct 03 Morning, travel to **Assisi**. Upon arrival, tour the city of St. Francis, saint patron of Italy. The town of Assisi with its winding medieval streets and sacred shrines has been one of the most popular pilgrimage destinations. We visit the Lower Basilica housing the tomb of St Francis and the Upper Basilica with famous Giotto frescoes. Dinner and overnight in Assisi.

Day 6 Oct 04 After breakfast, then transfer to San Marino. The Republic of San Marino brags it's the world's oldest and smallest republic. It's remained sovereign and independent from Italy through almost all its 1,700-year history. Located in the rugged Apennine Mountains, San Marino takes you back to the age of city-states, an era of pageantry, pride, and fierce independence. Dinner and overnight.

Day 7 Oct 05 Morning, tour the city of **Ravenna**, known for its well-preserved late Roman and Byzantine architecture, with eight buildings comprising the UNESCO World Heritage Site "Early Christian Monuments of Ravenna". We will visit Basilica of St. Apollinare Nuovo and St. Vitale Church. After mass celebration, we embark on the Royal Caribbean cruise ship "Explorer of the Seas".

Day 8 Oct 06 Morning we arrive in Split, Croatia, we transfer to **Medjugorje**. Upon arrival, we will walk to the Hill of Apparitions where the visionaries first saw Our Blessed Virgin Mary. Pray before the statue that symbolizes the place of the First Apparition. A steep path leads to the top of the mountain, along which bronze reliefs were placed representing the joyful and the sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary. We also visit and pray at "Blue Cross", a place of healing and graces at the foot of Apparition Hill. Return to cruise ship for dinner and overnight.

Day 9 Oct 07 Full day cruising at sea.

Day 10 Oct 08 Morning we arrive in **Mykonos**, we visit Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Rosary. Then photo stop at the windmills of Mykonos and little Venice. Some free time in the afternoon, dinner and overnight on the cruise.

Day 11 Oct 09 Morning we arrive in Kusadasi in Turkey and visit **Ephesus**. We visit the Forum, the Odeon, the Library of Celsus, the thermal baths of Scolastica and the Great Theater of Antiquity. We also visit the house of Mary. Mass. Return to our ship for dinner and overnight.

Day 12 Oct 10 Morning we arrive in **Santorini**. We visit the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist, located in Fira, as well as Church of the Dormition, the Three Bells of Fira. Celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight on the cruise.

Day 13 Oct 11 Morning the cruise arrives in Athens, we disembark the cruiseship and transfer to the ancient city of Corinth, where St. Paul spent almost two years evangelizing and working with the tent makers Aquila and Priscilla (Acts 18:1-18). Disheartened by the state of the Gentile Church in Corinth, St. Paul was prompted to write four letters while here. We will visit the Bema of St. Paul Roman Forum Museum and see where St. Paul was put on trial by Gallio. After lunch, we return to Athens, visit the immortal Acropolis, with its classical temples. Marvel at the ruins of the Parthenon, the Erechtheion and Propylaea. Then we ascend Mars Hill, where St. Paul stood and delivered his famous "Men of Athens" speech. Dinner and overnight in Athens.

Day 14 Oct 12 After breakfast, transfer to airport for our return flight back home.













TOUR COST CA\$6,090 for Thunder Bay departure INCLUDES:

- Air transportation hotel accommodation first class or superior tourist class based on double occupancy
- 2 meals breakfast and dinner daily while not on cruise
- Includes lunches on cruise
- All sightseeing as per itinerary with English speaking guide

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR:

- Single supplement \$1,500
- Lunches not on cruise, insurance, documentation

HOW TO BOOK:

A non refundable deposit of \$500.00 per person is required at time of booking. Insurance with premium(if desired) must be purchased at the

Second non-refundable deposit of \$1000.00 per person is due April 3,

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